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PEORIA CONVENTION COMPLETE SUCCESS

Numismatists from twenty-one states and Canada attended the 25th annual convention of the Central States Numismatic Society in Peoria, Illinois, April 28-30. General Chairman Cliff Gillett reported that almost 1500 collectors registered at the convention.

One of the highlights of the conclave was an exceptionally well attended educational forum Friday evening in the Cotillion Room of the Pere Marquette Hotel, site for the convention. The Director of the U.S. Mint, Miss Eva B. Adams, told of her typical day as Director of the World's largest mint. Miss Adams explained that due to the unprecedented increase in the mint's work that some of the employees had been hired without the proper background check and hence some theft had been reported at the San Francisco facility. Miss Adams told of a small gold bar that was stolen from the Assay Office.

Other speakers on the program were former A.N.A. President Admiral O. H. Dodson, Director of the Museum at the University of Illinois, who spoke on "Money Is What You Make It," which was augmented by slides taken by Adm. Dodson on his trips throughout the world. A former President of the Society, Richard Yeoman, spoke on "Private Gold Issues." Mr. Yeoman's talk was concerned with the coin shortage in the western part of the United States and the subsequent issue of private coinage in the mid nineteenth century. The final speaker, Dr. John Davenport, Professor of English at Knox College, devoted his slide lecture to "The Talers and Ecus of Alsace-Lorraine."

Irving Moskovitz, Detroit, Mich., was awarded the Lewis M. Reagan award for the show's best exhibit. Other exhibit winners were: U.S. Coins: Claude Bachtell, L. Vince Davis and Fred W. Gadjen; Ancient Coins, L. J. Kaczar; and in Foreign Coins first through third, Philip Budd, A. P. Oberbilling, and Jim Plath. In the area of Paper Money M. M. Burgett took first while A. W. Lambert and Fred Gadjen took second and third. Moskovitz took first place for Gold Coins while Louis Sponholtz and Gadjen were runners-up. In the classification of Medals and Tokens, M. M. Burgett was first, Gene Bowles second, and George Petr third. Arlie Slabaugh and Ronald Hedlin took first and second in the General Classification while Jim Plath, Valerie Horton and Robert Lamb were the junior winners. In addition to many fine competitive exhibits there were also a dozen non-competitive exhibits.

Chairman Gillett inspects exhibits

Felix Schlag, the designer of the Jefferson nickel, and Mrs. Schlag were the guests of honor at the Saturday banquet. Mr. Schlag told about his life as sculptor living on Chicago's near north side and his submission of the winning design for the five cent piece. He told of later being "discovered" by numismatists who were instrumental in having Schlag's initials placed on the coin he designed.

Also at the banquet Leo G. Terry, immediate Past President, was awarded the Society's Medal of Merit.

FROM OUR OFFICERS

It's a pleasure to write to you folks again. Quite a lot has been happening in the numismatic world in the past

few months that point to a healthy future for our hobby.

Membership and attendance at coin club meetings and conventions has increased. This is most promising as during the leveling-off period attendance had dropped off in most areas. The transition from the "speculator" of three years ago to the numismatist of today is truly encouraging. I sincerely hope that this trend toward the scholarly aspects of our hobby will continue.

I have also noticed some other things worth mentioning. Many of the recent articles appearing in the numismatic publications have not been written by the "old-time" numismatists, rather there is some new blood appearing. New people are writing some good articles. Many of these articles are being written by juniors too which is further indication of our hobby's bright future.

Concerning our convention . . . it was a great success! Most of the dealers said business was good; attendance at the educational forum, one of the most important aspects of any convention, was excellent; and the banquet was also successful. All in all, it was a smooth running and successful convention. My compliments to Mr. Gillett and his entire committee. Have a happy and healthy summer . . .

PHILIP J. MORE
President

Those of you who missed Peoria missed a well planned convention. Those who came surpassed the expectations in numbers in spite of the rainy days.

I want to note to all members that the Peoria Association of Commerce is very much alive. This is the first host city that ever turned in to the Secretary every clipping, every picture, and every item of news pertaining to a convention held in their city. These were from the Peoria Journal Star and forwarded with a letter from the Commerce Manager, Betty Masterson, truly a "master" of her job.

The final reports are not all in, but advance information shows a most successful convention can be held in a small city. The final tally will be mentioned later, but now it looks like some of the larger cities of the past were a bit outdone. This is the time of the year to express our appreciation to each of you who pays his dues promptly. You might be interested to know that approximately 400 hours of time were consumed last year serving Central States from this office.

Please — a final old request — let me know when you move. Thank you.

DR. F. S. EPPS
Secretary

BOARD VOTES TO HONOR BRADFIELD

The Board of Governors of the Society, meeting during the Peoria convention, voted unanimously to establish an Elston G. Bradfield Literary Award, honoring the first Editor of The Centinel and former Editor of The Numismatist. The award will be presented annually for the most outstanding article appearing in the publication of the C.S.N.S., The Centinel. Bradfield served as Editor of the publication from its inception in 1956 until 1961 when he resigned due to ill health. "Brad" served as Editor of the A.N.A. publication from 1954 until 1965. All articles published in The Centinel will be judged by a special committee appointed by the President of the Society. Articles are to be sent to the Editor, Howard B. Eisenberg, P.O. Box 45307, Chicago, Illinois 60645.

In other Board action, it was decided to indefinitely suspend the publication of the annual membership roster. This action was taken in response to a suggestion from the Missouri Numismatic Society. Inasmuch as over a dozen C.S.N.S. members are running for A.N.A. offices, a sub-committee chaired by C. A. M. Smith recommended to "bestow the Society's blessings on all candidates, but nominate no one." This recommendation was adopted by the Board as a whole. President More also appointed a committee to investigate the possibility of changing the design of the Medal of Merit and introduce metallic life membership cards.

The 1970 convention of the Society was awarded to the Western Reserve Numismatic Society, Cleveland, Ohio. An invitation for the 1971 convention from the Missouri Numismatic Society, St. Louis, was tentatively accepted. Governors Gerber and Porter also made a presentation on behalf of the Milwaukee Numismatic Society for the 1972 conclave. Richard Peterson announced his resignation as Chairman of the 1969 convention and Howard B. Eisenberg was appointed his successor.

An interim meeting is planned for the Board of Governors in the fall.

DETROIT TO HOST 1968 CONCLAVE

The twenty-sixth annual convention of the Society will be held April 19-21, 1968 at the Sheraton-Cadillac Hotel in Detroit, Mich. Ben Stocker and Daniel Parker will serve as Co-Chairmen for the convention. Although final bourse arrangements have not been announced, those desiring information should contact Stocker at 17331 Greenfield, Apt. 2, Detroit, Michigan 48235.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

Howard B. Eisenberg, Editor of the Centinel will not be in Chicago until September 1. Members are requested NOT to write to the Editor prior to that date. Due to the Editor's absence the October 15 issue may be delayed slightly.

CANADA STRIKES PURE NICKEL 10- AND 25-CENTS

The Canadian coin series has been extended to a total of eight coins for the balance of 1967.

The Royal Mint at Ottawa is striking pure nickel 10- and 25-cent pieces dated 1967. They are of same Centennial design as their silver counterparts. At the same time production of silver dimes and quarters continues.

On June 2, Ottawa authorities halted production of silver 50-cents and silver dollars for normal commercial distribution. Striking for collector sets continues, however.

NECROLOGY

PAUL E. OLSON

Paul E. Olson, immediate past Secretary of the Central States Numismatic Society, died suddenly on January 11, 1967 in his Minneapolis home. He was 72. A lifelong bachelor, little is known of Olson's early life. After joining the A.N.A. in 1935 as member 4816, he was one of the earliest members of the C.S.N.S., joining the Society in the first year of its existence, 1939.

Paul E. Olson

Olson served in every office of the Northwest Coin Club, including two terms as President. He served as First Vice President, Governor, and Secretary-Treasurer of the C.S.N.S. In 1961 Olson chaired the Society's annual convention. In the late 1950's Olson saw the need for a state organization, and he is credited with being a founder of the Minnesota Organization of Numismatists (MOON).

Olson was employed prior to his retirement by the Twin Cities office of the Pittsburgh Plate Glass Company, but his first loves were ancient coins and numismatic organizations. He is survived by a sister, Alice, with whom he lived. R.W.F.

BUFORD ELLIS

Buford A. Ellis, C.S.N.S. 921, died of an apparent heart attack while vacationing at Sunrise Beach, Missouri. The Kansas City numismatist was active in both the Midwest Numismatic Association and the Heart of America Numismatic Association. Ellis is survived by his wife, Carmen, a daughter, a son, and a brother. Services were conducted on June 16 in Kansas City. MNA/Coin Chatter.

JAMES HURLBUT

Col. James W. Hurlbut, recipient of the Society's Medal of Merit and former C.S.N.S. member, suffered a fatal heart attack while driving with his wife from Miami to their Washington, D.C. home. Hurlbut spent most of his life in Chicago where he worked for various journalistic organizations including N.B.C. He had publicized many of the Chicago Coin Club events since becoming interested in numismatics in 1949. Just prior to his reenlistment in the Marines Hurlbut had accompanied an N.B.C. television crew to help publicize the 1965 C.S.N.S. convention. GBS

JOHN H. HANSAN

John Henry Hansan, C.S.N.S. Life Member 28, the proprietor of Hansan's Coin Shop in Kansas City, died recently at the age of 59. He was a member of the A.N.A. and H.A.N.A. in addition to the C.S.N.S. He is survived by his widow Helen Louise, two sons, two daughters, a stepson, two stepdaughters, a brother, and 24 grandchildren. RMJ.

CENTRAL STATINGS . . . Culled by H. B. Eisenberg

Well, when next I get the Centinel out I shall have been three-quarters around the world. I have been honored by the U.S. Department of Education with a National Defense Education Undergraduate Fellowship. I shall be up at the U. of Michigan in

July and visit Leningrad, Moscow, Kiev, and Yalta in the U.S.S.R. in August. Hope to begin a series of reports on my trip in the next issue . . . Sorry to miss the Miami convention, first we have missed in six years. Chairman SID SMITH, however, may have been cornered due to various circumstances into planning a rather austere convention. A.N.A. convention planning still leaves much to be desired . . . The A.N.A. will present two awards for service to law enforcement agencies in regards to numismatic robberies. One will go to a numismatist who has been involved in various organizational controversies—that is if the award is not withdrawn at the last moment . . . The two races certain to attract the most attention in the A.N.A. election are for the two Vice Presidencies . . . The Peoria convention was really a surprise. The hotel was the best in many respects of any we have visited for numismatic functions. Food good, prices reasonable, and the management cordial. Business ran the gamut from "lousy" to "exceptional." Our convention unquestionably dampened the eastern convention that coincided. Perhaps we have reached the point when it would be wise if all the numismatic organizations would really try to coordinate their convention scheduling. The response to last month's editorial show that many of you too agree . . . PHIL MORE may know a lot about numismatics, but nothing about geography. After leaving Peoria it took him until the Mississippi to realize he was traveling the wrong way . . . Those who had not had the honor to meet the FELIX SCHLAG'S prior to Peoria were charmed by the couple. A finer two people could hardly be imagined . . . The first Columbian halves struck in both 1892 and 1893 will be displayed for the first time since the Fair at the Chicago Coin Club-P.N.G. Show in Chicago in October. BILL PETTIT, one of the most learned professional numismatists in the country, deserves the kudos for obtaining the pieces . . . The news that altered and counterfeit 1939-D and 1950-D Jefferson nickels have been appearing came as no surprise to those who know that the FBI has been working on the matter for the past few months. They have traced some of the pieces to two Chicago area dealers, one a prominent Loop merchant. The problem is getting enough evidence to get the case to court to obtain a conviction. Alas, it seems all too common for SOME dealers to look the other way when handling stolen and spurious coins . . . One of the real treats during the Peoria convention was CLEM BAILEY who sat in with a group at a local nite-spot. Clem, a former professional drummer, found the one night stand more to his liking . . . Have a wonderful summer.

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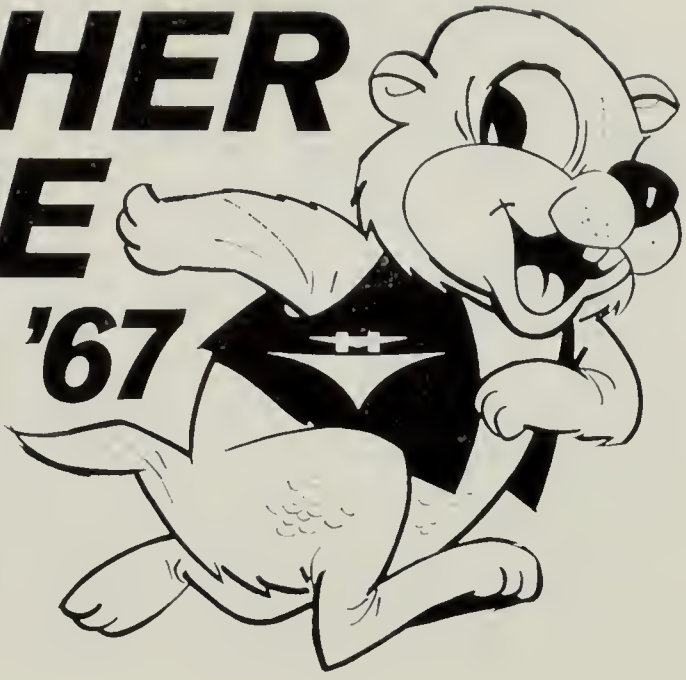

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HISTORY OF THE C.S.N.S.

By DR. F. S. EPPS

(Continued from April)

The Thirteenth Annual Convention of the Society was held in Detroit, Michigan, April 29-May 1, 1955. C. C. (Tim) Shroyer presided at the annual business meeting as President with Earl C. Brown as Secretary. At the meeting at which thirty were present it was announced that the treasury consisted of $141.30 in the special fund and $164.51 in the operating fund. Membership stood at 264 regular members, 56 life members; a total of 320 members. Officers elected for the coming year were Shroyer, President, E. C. Gerber, Vice President, Brown, Secretary-Treasurer, and Harry X Boosel, Harold Bowen, Harry Collura, Lloyd B. Gettys, Sol Kaplan, Richard D. Kenney, Mark H. Nelson, T. F. Pokorney, and Leo G. Terry, Governors. The officers were installed by M. Vernon Sheldon.

Convention registration was 362 with members from twenty-eight states and Canada present. There were 49 bourse dealers and 30 competitive and non-competitive exhibits. The Medals of Merit were presented to Dr. Lewis M. Reagan and James Hurlbut.

Lee Hewitt was appointed Chairman of a committee to secure exhibit awards and a Best of Show plaque. At future conventions the host club will be allowed to appoint the exhibit judges. The C.S.N.S. was incorporated under the laws of the State of Illinois. The convention adjourned to meet in Indianapolis in 1956.

(To be continued)

ATTENTION

The following are dates of future C.S.N.S. Conventions:

April 19-21, 1968	Sheraton-Cadillac Hotel	Detroit, Michigan
May 2- 4, 1969	Sheraton-Chicago Hotel	Chicago, Illinois
1970		Cleveland, Ohio
1971	(Tentative)	St. Louis, Missouri

Invitations for future conventions must be submitted in writing to the Secretary-Treasurer. Information and particulars may be obtained from Howard B. Eisenberg, P.O. Box 45307, Chicago, Illinois 60645.

Howard B. Eisenberg

Director of Public Relations

PEORIA CLUB RUNS GREAT CONVENTION

No numismatic convention can run smoothly without a dedicated hard working convention committee. In Peoria General Chairman Cliff Gillett was assisted by Co-Chairman Bob Whitmore, Bourse Chairman Oliver Horton, and Exhibit Chairman Terry Stauske. Also serving on the committee were Harry Fidler, Security Chairman; Earl Hoverden, Educational Chairman; Carl Fidler, Tour Chairman; and Willis Miller, Information Desk. Bill Lamb served as convention Properties Chairman while Bob Vititow handled the printing arrangements. Rounding out the convention committee were Virginia Baker, Registration; Neve Brenner, Ladies Hospitality; Bob Bullock, Jr., Publicity Chairman; Forrest Curtis, Financial Chairman; and Melvin Weisheit, Banquet Chairman. Finally, Guerdon Smith was Host Chairman, Joe O'Donnell, Insurance Chairman, Maurice Fairman, Executive Committee, and Paul Young, Program Committee. The entire Peoria District Coin Club is to be congratulated for a most successful show.

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CLUB CORNER

Second only to the A.N.A. convention in summer numismatic activity is the annual coin festival sponsored by the Missouri Numismatic Societies in St. Louis. This year the show will be held Saturday and Sunday, August 5 and 6 at the St. Louis Gateway Hotel (formerly Statler Hilton) in Downtown St. Louis. The Amon Carter specimen of the 1804 silver dollar will highlight the displays. A 50-dealer bourse is planned . . . The Old Fort Coin Club of Fort Wayne, Indiana, reports a successful National Coin Week presentation this year . . . The Chicago Coin Club will participate in the annual Professional Numismatic Guild show at the Palmer House in Chicago, October 19-22. Phil More and Howard Eisenberg are handling the arrangements for the CCC while Dave Shapiro is the P.N.G. Chairman. The CCC also won first honorable mention for its National Coin Week entry . . . The Austin, Minn. Coin Club will hold its 5th annual summer show August 5-6 at the Holiday Inn in Austin . . . The Minnesota State show will be October 14-15 at the Hopkins House Motor Hotel in Hopkins, Minn. Harvey Bultman, 1624 Girard Ave., N. Minneapolis, Minn. 55411, will serve as show chairman. . . . Ted Grapatin, President of the Western Reserve Numismatic Association, spoke on "Modern Gambling Tokens" at the June meeting of the Cleveland group . . . The Spring, 1967 issue of the Currency Collector, publication of the Maryland Foreign Paper Money Club, features articles on "The 'English' Credit Notes of Northern Russia," "Philippine Guerrilla and Emergency Currency," and various other interesting articles. Initial dues are $5.00 payable to Mr. Alexander J. Sullivan, 701 Hammonds Lane, Baltimore, Maryland 21225. . . . The Midwest Numismatic Association of Kansas City reports that their 1967 show was a success desite the fact that they did not have a full bourse. The club's "Coin Chatter" reports that the door prize chances kept the show out of the red. . . . The Illinois Numismatic Association plans its annual convention November 18-19 at the Kaskaskia Hotel in LaSalle, 90 miles south of Chicago. . . . The Iowa State show is slated for Des Moines September 15-18 at the Savery Hotel. . . . Of course, the big show will be at the Americana Hotel in Miami August 9-12 as the American Numismatic Association meets in convention. Early reservations are urged. . . . Our neighbors to the north in Canada will hold their annual convention August 31 through September 2 at the Chateau Laurier Hotel in Ottawa. This will mark the C.N.A.'s 14th annual conclave. . . . All club officers may like to ascertain whether or not its organization is officially registered with the Treasury Department as a non-profit organization. The Internal Revenue Service requires such registration regardless of the organization's state charter. Several clubs have have recently been charged large amounts in taxes because of this failure to register. . . . Next issue we shall run the club listing complete so Secretaries who have not returned our questionnaire please do so.

Other shows in Central States area within next few weeks include: Twin Ports Coin Club, Duluth, Minn., July 22-23; Grand Traverse Coin Club, Traverse City, Mich., July 22-3; Westmont Coin Club, Westmont, Ill., July 30. Fishbowl Coin Club, Spooner, Wis., July 30.

RETURN OF MINT MARKS

On June 24, President Johnson signed a bill which will permit use of mint marks on U.S. coins.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

(Note: In order to protect the members of the Society, it has been decided to omit the street address of all new members.)

NEW MEMBERS

1973 Dyer, Bruce, Des Moines, Iowa
1974 Marlenee, Ben E., Des Moines, Iowa
1975 Byar, William M., Burlington, Iowa
1976 Comer, Delmer J., Des Moines, Iowa
1977 Horton, Valerie Mae, Washington, Ill.
1978 Drobney, Paul T., Evanston, Ill.
1979 Culver, Virginia, Theinsville, Wisconsin
1980 Hendrick, George A., Joliet, Illinois
1981 McMahon, Walter J., New York, New York
1982 Ames, Russell E., Granite City, Illinois
1983 Greer, Lyman, Norris City, Illinois
1984 Klongland, George A., Jr., Madison, Wisconsin
1985 Miller, Roy G., East Peoria, Illinois
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1987 St. Clair, Russell, Fort Madison, Iowa
1988 Welegala, Charles F., Chicago, Illinois
1989 Hooper, Curtis, North Kansas City, Missouri
1990 Kleinschmidt, William, Winchester, Illinois
1991 Oikonomides, Al. N., Chicago, Illinois
1992 Enders, Wayne S., Pekin, Illinois
1993 Sandos, Seymour, Baldwin, New York
1994 Columbia Coin Club, K. G. Haller, Treasurer, P.O. Box 25, Columbia, Illinois 62236

DECEASED MEMBERS OF C.S.N.S.

Since April 30

867 Becken, Carl M., Minneapolis, Minnesota
493 Carlson, Hjalmer, St. Paul, Minnesota
921 Ellis, Buford, Kansas City, Missouri
LM 28 Hansan, John H., Kansas City, Missouri

NEWS BRIEFS

Bill More, C.S.N.S. Junior Representative reminds all members that juniors are eligible for the new Bradfield Literary Awards (see page 3 for details). Bill also puts forward the idea of proclaiming April Junior Month in our area with special emphasis on interesting the young collector in our hobby. Those with ideas should write Bill at P.O. Box 1022, Evanston, Illinois 60204.. . . . Howard B. Eisenberg, Editor of the Centinel, has been engaged to Miss Phyllis T. Borenstein, Madison, Wis., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Borenstein. No wedding date has been set . . . The Medallic Art Company has issued several new medals. One honoring the Wright Brothers has been released in the New York University Hall of Fame series. Another medal honoring R. Tait McKenzie, a physical educator, doctor, artist and sculptor is also being distributed by the New York firm. The New York University medal is distributed by Coin and Currency Institute while Medallic Art is handling the sales of the McKenzie . . .

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